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A COMMUNICATION CONTROLLER AND METHOD FOR MANAGING THE TRAFFIC FLOW OF A COMMUNICATION CONNECTION DURING A CELL RESELECTION

The present invention provides a method for managing in a mobile subscriber the traffic flow of a communication connection during a cell reselection. The method includes communicating via a communication connection with a first cell, and monitoring communication conditions, while communicating with the first cell. An approximate time is then determined, when conditions associated with the flow of communication via the communication connection with the first cell is consistent with transferring the flow of communication to a communication connection with a second cell. The mobile subscriber then establishes a communication connection with the second cell, while maintaining the communication connection with the first cell. The method further includes routing the flow of the communication from the communication connection with the first cell to the communication connection with the second cell, and releasing by the mobile subscriber the communication connection with the first cell, proximate the time that the flow of communication is routed from the communication connection with the first cell to the communication connection with the second cell.